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WOULD MAKE SUMMER RESORT OF CHAUTAUQUA PARK

Association Controls 80-acre
Tract Abjoining Chautau-
qua Grounds

PLAN TO PLOT THE GROUNDS AND SAVE TREES

Chautauqua Park to be made
Playground of New
Mexico

A movement is under way, which if carried out will mean much to Mountainair and the Chautauqua. The Chautauqua Association has secured title to the whole of the eighty-acre tract of land adjoining the Chautauqua grounds. In order to accomplish this, John W. Corbett proposed to the association that if that body would secure the interest of the other parties concerned, he would turn his interest over to the association on any terms they thought just. The deal is now being consummated, and the association will control the whole tract of land. It is the purpose of those in charge of the matter to lay out the grounds, following the topographical contour of the land, into suitable building lots, for summer cottages. By following irregular rather than straight lines, not only will the lots lay better for building, but practically all of the trees and shrubs desired, can be saved. When this shall have been done, no more beautiful place can be found in the state for the building of summer cottages—a place to get away from the heat, flies and mosquitoes of lesser altitudes, into the cedars and health-laden mountain air.

No doubt when this project is once really launched, residents of the cities will take up the idea and make this what it should be—a real summer resort. Being within easy auto distance of Albuquerque, this will appeal strongly to the residents of the Duke City, who can thus get away from business cares and the heat of the Rio Grande Valley to spend the week-end among the cedars. It is a wise move on the part of the Chautauqua Association, and should be pushed to an early consummation. When this shall have been done, Mountainair will become "The Play Ground of New Mexico."

Public School Honor Roll

Miss Alice Hoyland, Teacher

Filimon Perella	Robert McGuire
Nolan Stewart	Theodore Kubena
Andy Scroggins	Ernest McGuire
Berta Speckmann	Liberito Montoya
Bessie Mirabal	Wynona Bullington
Evelyn Orme.	

Per cent. of Attendance 96.

Mrs. Ruth C. McNeese

Agnes Teague	Raymond Brigrance
Nadeau Waggoner	Ruth East
Horald Scroggins	George Farley
Ruby Scroggins	Delta Davis
Ruth Speckmann	Bessie Perkins
Henry Brown	Severo Padilla
May Dyer	Wesley Wood
Jeff Shaw	Albert Cubena
Rae Stewart	

Per cent. of Attendance 95.

Mrs. J. E. Veal

Veda Cooper	Mary Lee Colter
Glen Hollon	Johnnie Gentry
Mike Shaw	Donald Shaffer
Mildred Shaffer	

Per cent. of Attendance 91.

High School

James Bryan	Rebecca Bryan
Hazel Doyle	Florian Chaves
Lois Hollon	Marion McKinley
Ruby McKinley	Thelma Farley

Per cent. of Attendance 97.

Preaching Services

Cedar Grove, 1st Sunday at 11 a. m.
Liberty, 2d Sunday at 11 a. m. Round-
top, 3d Sunday, 11 a. m. Mesa School-
house, 4th Sunday, 11 a. m.
W. D. Garrison, Pastor.

DISTRICT COURT TO ADJOURN TODAY

District Court has been grinding away at Estancia this week, with good prospects of adjournment last evening or today. A number of civil cases have been disposed of, but none on the criminal docket.

In the case of Killough vs. Killough, the divorce was granted, with costs to be divided between the parties. The minor child to be placed in a neutral home, where both parents may visit it, the costs of its maintenance to be paid by the father.

In district court at Estancia Monday of this week, the case of the Abo Land Company vs. P. H. Hower, J. P. Dunlavy, et al., a suit to quiet title to property in the Mountainair Townsite was decided in favor of the plaintiff.

State vs. Chas. A. Noble, continued. State vs. L. C. Oestreich, Holmes and Wm. Oestreich, two cases, continued.

Charles W. Wilson vs. W. W. Wagner, cost bond ordered.

Clark M. Carr, trustee, vs. Roy E. Dilley et al., judgment for plaintiff for \$450.00, principal, \$75.00 interest, \$52.50 attorney's fee and costs; decree of foreclosure on e h f s e q r 17, e h f n e q r 20 5-8, including improvements and 12-horse gasoline engine, 4-in centrifugal pump; Fred H. Ayers appointed special master to sell property.

Robert E. Putney vs. Adolfo Salas et al., judgment for plaintiff for \$634.60 principal, \$325.23 interest, \$95.98 attorney's fee; decree of foreclosure on lot 2 blk 29, Moriarty; Fred H. Ayers appointed special master to sell property. State vs. Acasio Gallegos, two cases, change of venue to Otero county granted.

Perfecto Jaramillo vs. R. S. Garcia, court on its own motion has plaintiff called three times at court house door, and there being no response, case dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

A. J. Green vs. R. E. Farley, dismissed by agreement at cost of plaintiff.

State vs. A. M. Black, nollied.

State vs. Nestor Candelaria, two cases, nollied.

State vs. Deciderio Aguilera, nollied.

Berry L. Hues vs. W. O. and Helen S. Whitney, defendants not appearing, judgment of lower court affirmed.

STEAL 40 SACKS OF BEANS

Mrs. A. Kubena was in town yesterday, morning looking for officers to help her trail a couple of thieves who got away with forty sacks of beans from her farm sometime during Tuesday night. She says she is sure from the tracks that there were two of the fellows, and that they carried the beans to the fence and then loaded them in a wagon.

A number of our people are righteously indignant that the thieves should single out a widow, who had worked hard all summer to grow her crop and make a living, for their depredation. If caught, there is a possibility of summary justice being meted out.

Real Estate Transfers

Miss Alice Hoyland has purchased the Ralph Stewart residence in Mountainair near the schoolhouse.

J. H. Lathan bought the Joseph Collins farm of 160 acres.

William R. Walden, who has been buying beans here for some months, has decided to invest in bean land as well. He has closed a deal for the Carlos Tabet place in Cienega Draw, and is closing a deal for the I. A. Pelham place south of Cienega.

John Doyle has purchased the Fulton place, one mile north of Mountainair.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Corbett left yesterday for California to spend the winter.

THINGS OF INTEREST FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

Cedar Grove

Fairy Arnett spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. Green and son were callers in the Conner home Sunday.

Miss Flo Lee called on Alma and Bessie Perkins last Thursday.

Mrs. Coffey and Miss Blanch Riddel called on Mrs. Bussle Sunday.

Mrs. Furman and daughter Hazel, were Mountainair visitors Saturday.

Ira Bruce and family have moved on the Davis farm, which they will occupy for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Adcock and daughter Mary, spent Thanksgiving with Ira Bruce and family.

Mrs. Harris left the first of the week for Texas, for an extended visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. Medley and family spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Medley's mother, Mrs. Nordmeyer, near town.

Sam Isenhardt, wife, baby and brother Clarence, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Swope and family north of town.

Rev. Garrison failed to fill his appointment Sunday. We hope, however that he will make another attempt.

Mrs. Adams, son and daughter, arrived this week from Las Cruces. They are living on their place which Mr. Adams bought some time ago, and where he has been living for some time.

Mrs. Davis and sons, Bruce and Lewis left last Friday. Mrs. Davis and Bruce going to Oklahoma to visit her daughters until after the holidays, after which she will reside in El Paso, Texas, with Lewis, who has a position there.

Pleasant View

Sunday School and singing were well attended Sunday.

Brock Manning marketed beans at Mountainair Saturday.

W. W. Manning made a business trip to Estancia Saturday.

Jim Miller from Idaho is visiting his father. He will probably locate here.

Mr. Hambling of near the Mesas passed through Friday en route to Cienega on business.

W. N. Walpole and son, Oscar, have been doing some carpenter work for Lloyd Orme the past week.

L. P. Owen and family from Irra, Texas, arrived last Wednesday. They will occupy the Meador place.

The school voted for a holiday Thursday, resuming duties Monday, December 4th.

A. G. Parker is making preparations to move his home, which he purchased of Bud Shaw, nine miles north of Mountainair. It is reported Mr. Meadow will move his family to the place Mr. Parker vacates.

Eastview

The Kayser Bros. are still threshing beans.

The weather is delightful and everybody is working.

Emilio Pena is still gathering corn and has not finished threshing beans yet.

Lloyd, Charles, John and Roy Spencer are well of the whooping cough and will start to school next week.

J. S. Spencer has been kept in doors by a very severe attack of Lagrip, but is now better. His children have been having a hard siege of whooping cough.

The Eastview school is progressing very nicely in the old adobe house. But we are getting a little impatient about the new schoolhouse. Come, Mr. Hallon get busy.

B. B. Spencer is sowing rye and runs the sawmill when he can get help, but laborers are very scarce. If you want work you can find it at Spencer's mill any day you come.

Liberty Point

(Intended for last week)

Monday, Nov. 27th.

The snow is about all gone in this vicinity.

Thomas Adams spent Saturday in Mountainair on business.

Threshing beans has been just about completed in our community.

Mrs. M. A. Garrison has been on the sick list for the past few days. Hope she will soon be so as to be out again.

As beans are such a good price this year, we hope the farmers will not overlook putting out plenty of feed stuff the coming season, such as all can use at home, and then put all they can in beans.

Rev. W. D. Garrison filled his appointment at the Mesa schoolhouse Sunday and assisted in organizing a Sunday School. A. Lisbee was elected superintendent, Miss Fairy Arnett, secretary. Let everybody assist and make a good Sunday School.

Wednesday—J. W. Garrison and Mr. Fulfer are busy hauling beans to town.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Garrison is better and visited her daughter, Mrs. Hodgins at Roundtop this week.

Weather is blustery.

Mr. Ward has come to his homestead in sec. 85, 2, 8.

School at Liberty is progressing fine, Good attendance.

O, the new houses in our community that were not here a year ago.

All the land has been taken up in this community, so far as we know.

J. L. Johnson informs us he expects to have his cornmill ready for business this week.

We understand W. H. Harrison purchased a good cow this week from Mr. Waldon near Willard.

W. H. Harrison has added to the

HELP THE YOUNG LADIES WIN PRIZE

Two more candidates have been nominated since last week's issue of the Independent, and although starting a little later, yet have a splendid opportunity of winning before the close of the contest. Quite a few subscriptions have been turned in, but there are many that should and will be secured before Saturday, December 23d. Its all a matter of hustle and win.

Have you cast your votes for your favorite candidate in the Popularity contest? Your votes may decide who will win the grand prize. You intend to subscribe for your home paper, why not do it now?

The coupons we are issuing may be voted any time up to 6 o'clock, Saturday evening, December 23. They are in the following amounts based on subscriptions of varying terms:

6 mos. Subscription, \$1.00,	200 votes
1 year's " 2.00,	500 "
2 " " 4.00,	1250 "
3 " " 6.00,	2000 "
5 " " 10.00,	40000 "

Arrangements have been made for placing the ballot box at the Griffin Drug Company's Store where coupons may be voted for the candidates.

The following is the list of candidates nominated to date:

Miss Hazel Doyle.....	1000 votes
" Lois Hollon.....	1000 "
" Fairy Arnett.....	1000 "
" Josephine Capt.....	1000 "
" Mabel Sellers.....	1000 "
" Goldie Brunner.....	1000 "
" Mabel Hine, Estancia.....	1000 "
" Ruby McKinley.....	1000 "
" Aileen Roberson, Estancia.....	1000 "
Mrs. Corinne Harris.....	1000 "

FOUR MORE CARS OF BEANS

Only four cars of beans were shipped out during the past week, but the beans are on hand to load more, as soon as the cars are available. On Tuesday evening one car was being loaded with beans at the same time it was being unloaded of corn. Cars do not stand idle very long here.

looks as well as comfort of his house by an additional room and a porch.

Mrs. Hodgins of Roundtop was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. W. D. Garrison, who is very ill, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl, who made her arrival December 1st. All are doing well.

We hope there will be as hard work for the Lord the coming six months as there has been for the election the past six months.

Mrs. M. A. Garrison is yet on the sick list, so the Reverend could not meet his appointment at Cedar Grove last Sunday.

J. L. Johnson bought some stock hogs the other day, and says he will raise his own meat as he cannot afford to buy at present prices.

Several in our community have put out fruit trees. A good thing. With a little care, we can grow fruit here and have better fruit than that shipped in.

Mr. Shewmake, who is at work at the sawmill north of Mountainair, is here this week to select a building site on his homestead and says he wants his home built right away.

Messrs. J. W. Garrison and Thomas Adams went to the sawmill Saturday to secure lumber to build barns on their homesteads. A step in the right direction. Prepare to take care of your stock.

Several have grown good Irish potatoes this year. Let's more of us try this another season and grow more of our living right here. We can grow our own potatoes, pumpkins, turnips, and have a patch of sorghum to make our own molasses. Not so bad!

NED.

JUDGE RODEY TALKS INTERESTINGLY TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

Total Enrollment has Reached
One Hundred Thirty
Four

92 PER CENT. OF ENUMERA-
TION IN ATTENDANCE

New Song Books Ordered for
School Use

On Tuesday of this week Judge B. S. Rodey, who spent two years in Alaska and many years in Porto Rico as Federal Judge, spent an hour in our Public Schools and delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture on Alaska and her products. He said that from his two years experience, he is satisfied that Alaska will never be an agricultural territory, but said she is extremely rich in gold, copper, coal, fish and furs. Mr. Rodey described the different methods of mining gold and interested the children in the Alaskan's mode of travel. The students of all ages listened attentively to his description of the almost continuous day and almost continuous night at opposite seasons of the year. The Judge's story of a baseball game that he attended one night in June was very much enjoyed. The game was called at 10:30 p. m. and ended at 1:30 a. m. In all, the lecture was very interesting and the children showed their intelligence by their attention and appreciation.

The total enrollment to date has reached 134 with a per cent. of actual attendance for the first three months averaging 95.

When we consider the enumeration for the entire district is 173 and Mountainair's enrollment of 134, and that of Pleasant View of 25 or a total of 159 out of a possible 173, we have 92 per cent. of the entire district enrolled in our schools. If there is a district in the state with a higher per centage of their enumeration enrolled we would be glad to hear from it.

The Bust of Riley and the painting of the Old Swimmin' Hole have arrived and add to the beauty and attractiveness of our auditorium.

One hundred new song books have been ordered, and we look forward to many pleasant mornings during the year. The pupils and faculty will assemble on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays of every week from 9:00 to 9:20. The exercises will consist of readings, recitations, debates, songs, vocal and piano solos and general singing by the entire school. Mrs. McNeese will have charge of the program and since the pupils are all so willing to do their part, our assembly periods are sure to be enjoyable and beneficial. The general public is cordially invited to meet with us and we trust many will avail themselves of the opportunity.

Our Roll of Honor appears in this issue of the Independent. We trust every pupil and patron of the school will be interested.

Next week we hope to publish our entire enrollment so that you can realize what a crowd of little folks we have and at the same time prove to you that Mountainair with a population of less than a hundred has 134 of them in school.

Pie Supper

A Pie Supper will be held at the Means Schoolhouse on Tuesday evening, December 12, to which all are cordially invited. The ladies are asked to bring pies, that there may be sufficient for all. The proceeds will be used in making repairs on the school building and toward securing suitable seats. Its a worthy aim, and all are urged to help. "Dad" Sharpless will act as auctioneer.

Nominating Blank

I hereby nominate _____
as a candidate in the Popular Ladies Contest of the Mountainair Independent. This nomination carries with it 1,000 votes for the above named candidate.

Signed _____

Date _____